

Sub B1  
1. (Amended) A data processor implemented method for  
brokering upgraded resources for enabling greater functionality  
for a product function comprising the steps of  
collecting data describing user interaction with said  
product function,  
analyzing said data to determine whether at least one  
data pattern has been identified, and  
communicating to a user of said product function an  
availability of said greater functionality when said at least one  
data pattern has been identified.

Sub B4  
18. (Amended) A data processor implemented method for  
brokering upgraded resources for enabling greater functionality  
for a product function comprising the steps of  
collecting use data describing use of said product  
function,  
analyzing said data to determine whether at least one  
use threshold has been exceeded, and  
communicating to a user of said product function an  
availability of said greater functionality when said at least one  
threshold has been exceeded.

Remarks

Reexamination and reconsideration of the claims, as  
amended, are respectfully requested.